

House Resolution No. 706

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the meritorious achievements of an outstanding Missouri citizen who has distinguished himself as a leader of his community; and

Whereas, Virgil David "Jack" McBride, Sr., an esteemed resident of Fulton, Missouri, is to be commended for the significant contributions he has made as an invaluable member of the Fulton community; and

Whereas, the fifth of eleven children born to the Reverend and Mrs. Albert McBride, Jack McBride attended Carver Elementary School in Fulton and was the first African-American student to graduate from Fulton Agricultural School; and

Whereas, the owner of "McBride Farm" in Fulton, Jack McBride retired from his post as a Field Services Manager for the Division of Job Development and Training program with the Comprehensive Employment Training Act in Columbia, Missouri, on January 28, 1993, after a successful career that spanned an incredible twenty-six years; and

Whereas, the author of The Search: The True Story of Miss Willie Swanson Edwards, Jack McBride is exceedingly proud of his affiliation with such important organizations as the Fulton Chapter of the N.A.A.C.P., the Youth Life Improvement Association, the Callaway Alcohol and Drug Awareness Action Committee, Habitat for Humanity, the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. State Commission, and Governor Mel Carnahan's Advisory Committee; and

Whereas, Jack McBride is the worthy recipient of countless awards and accolades including the 1994 Fulton Chamber of Commerce J.H. Atkinson Award for Outstanding Community Service, the 1992 Fulton Kiwanis Club Community Spiritual Advancement Award, and the Central Missouri Negro League George Washington Carver Achievement Award, just to name a few; and

Whereas, a lifelong member of Calvary Baptist Church where he glorified the Lord as a Sunday School Teacher, Superintendent, and Chairman of the Trustee Board, Jack McBride has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include his devoted wife, Juanita (deceased); his six children, Ron McBride, Bonnie Cason, Virgil McBride, Anna Braxton, Sherry Brown, Franelle Watson; his foster son, Daniel Collier; and his ten grandchildren and three great-grandchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Jack McBride at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction, and in wishing him tremendous peace and contentment as he continues his journey along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Virgil David McBride, Sr.

Offered by _____
Representative Danie Moore
District No. 20

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House

Jim Kreider, Speaker

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